## House Resolution No. 1299

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Esther Hall of Forsyth, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday with a special celebration on May 18, 2008, at the Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas, on March 15, 1918, on a farm outside of Taneyville, God brought a special gift to this great state with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Esther Clemans, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Esther Hall will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as growing up in the company of eight siblings; being married to Bert Hall on October 31, 1935; and giving birth to their offspring; and

Whereas, Esther Hall has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include two children, Sue Hall Coy and Joe Hall; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Esther Hall further distinguished herself by teaching school in Hercules; being co-owner of general stores in Taneyville and Brown Branch; teaching at Union Flat the last two years the school was there; co-owning an auto parts store in Forsyth; teaching learning disabilities at Forsyth School; earning a Master's degree in learning disabilities at Southwest Missouri State University (Missouri State University) in 1978 at the age of sixty; teaching classes in the Education Department at the College of the Ozarks; co-owning Blakemore Lures in Branson, which offered employment to many rural southern Missouri people; and being a fifty-seven-year member of the Forsyth Presbyterian Church Choir; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 90, Esther Hall is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Esther Hall at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri nonagenarian Esther Hall, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by

Representative Maynard Wallace District No. 143

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1299, adopted March 26, 2008.